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THE ANVIL, EST'D 1886
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OCT. 17, 1933.

Here in HONDO
LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Ask
About
Club rates
On your favorite
Newspapers and magazines
to the Anvil Herald office;
We can show you some attractive
offers.

Emil Mumme had his tonsils re-
moved January 8 at Medina Hospital.
BULOVA WATCHES—Perfect
Gift—at WINDROW DRUG
STORE.

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Holmes of
Lubbock were Hondo visitors Thurs-
day of this week.

Mrs. J. W. Long and daughter,
Miss Eva Long, visited Mr. and Mrs.
A. G. Walker over the holidays.

FOR SALE—40 head sheep, 26
ewes, 9 muttons. See E. E. KGLI-
MAN, Phone 18 or 957F21. 3tc.

Mr. E. L. Wurz, a bridge worker,
underwent an emergency appendix
operation at 2 A. M. Thursday at Me-
dina Hospital.

Mrs. John Wise of Hobbs, New
Mexico, and Mrs. Jesse McWilliams
of Austin visited relatives here
Thursday of last week.

Mrs. George Newsom left Sunday
for her home in Sanderson after a
month's visit here with her parents,
Mr. and Mrs. Earl Boon.

Postmaster Lawrence Brucks re-
turned Tuesday from Dallas where
he spent several days and attended
the annual Jackson Day dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Black, who have
been transferred from Seguin to Del
Rio, spent several days last week
with Mr. and Mrs. Ben Oefinger.

THE NEW 39c TEK TOOTH
BRUSHES "LASTS SIX TIMES
LONGER", NOW 23c AT WIN-
DROW DRUG STORE. 2tc.

Mrs. Matt Bader of LaCoste spent
Thursday and Friday here with her
parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Brucks,
while Supt. Bader was in Austin on
school matters.

FOR SALE: Used furniture; small
gas heater; 50-lb. capacity ice box;
heavy iron bedstead and gas cook
stove. Phone 127-3 rings or apply at
Anvil Herald office.

Mr. A. G. Walker visited his son,
Earl Walker, and family at Heb-
bronville the latter part of Decem-
ber. Earl is the manager of the
Alamo Lumber Co. at Hebbronville.

Mr. J. Frank Jungman of Houston
and Mr. Arthur H. Jungman of Vic-
toria were here Tuesday on business
and for a visit with their mother,
Mrs. P. Jungman, who returned last
week-end from a visit in Houston.

Jo Nell, elder daughter of Mr. and
Mrs. Emil Britsch, received a slight
break in her right arm just below the
elbow, Wednesday, while playing
during recess period at school. An
x-ray was made showing the injury
not to be serious although painful.

FOR SALE: Three-room and porch
cottage, in good condition, with all
out-houses, wire gates, posts, water
pipes, will be sold off lot at Dunlay,
Texas, for \$300.00. Or will sell above
house with two lots for \$350.00. In-
quire at this office or phone 127-
3 rings. 1tc.

Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Davis had
as their guests Sunday, Mrs. Lucy
Scherrer, Mrs. Florence Isom and
two sons, Sherrill and Larry, and
Miss Octavia Davis, of San Antonio.
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schroeder of
San Antonio were guests of Judge
and Mrs. Ed de Montel Sunday.

J. H. Rothe left Sunday for A. and
M. after a few days' visit here with
his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. F.
Rothe. J. H. accompanied the Aggies
to New Orleans, La., for the foot-
ball game on the Sugar Bowl on New
Year's Day and took part in all the
activities incident to the winning of
the game. The football boys were
given a week's vacation following
the game.

Pvt. J. Monroe Rucker, of the
32nd Bomb. Sqdn. of March Field,
California, left Tuesday to resume
his duties at that field after having
spent the Christmas holidays with
his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis
Rucker. Monroe enlisted in the U.
S. Air Corps in October and was
immediately sent to March Field.
He had been granted a 5-day exten-
sion to his 15-day leave of absence
due to the illness of his father.

The Thursday Bridge Club met
last week with Mrs. R. J. Noonan as
hostess. Pot plants were the only
decoration of the home. Prizes were
awarded Mrs. R. L. Kollman for
club high, to Mrs. L. E. Heath for
club second high, to Mrs. Roy Pfeil
for high guest and Mrs. Gail Ellis for
guest second high. The hostess served
cream chicken in pattie shells,
hot rolls, fruit salad, spiced pecans,
and hot chocolate. The personnel in-
cluded Mesdames W. H. Smith, H. J.
Meyer, Gail Ellis, J. M. Finger, Vol-
ney Boon, O. B. Taylor, L. E. Heath,
R. L. Kollman, J. G. Barry, L. J.
Brucks, Roy Pfeil and R. C. Rath.

HONDO'S WATER SUPPLY GETS CLEAN BILL OF HEALTH

January 9, 1940.

Mr. K. D. Horton
Interstate Public Service Company
Bay City, Texas
Dear Mr. Horton:

It is with a great deal of pleasure
that we are able to advise you that
your public water supply at Hondo,
Texas, has received an A or excellent
rating. This has been due largely
to the improvements which you have
effected, and represents a greater
increase in the factor of safety of
your supply. Therefore, in testi-
mony of this satisfactory condition,
we are willing to authorize the erec-
tion and maintenance on all public
highways leading into the city of a
permanent marker notifying the citi-
zens of Hondo, as well as the travel-
ing public, that your public water
supply has received the approval of
the Texas State Department of
Health, provided you sign the at-
tached agreement blanks, which we
are submitting to you in duplicate,
and return them to us at your earli-
est convenience.

This public approval is a distinct
honor for your water supply system,
and has been awarded to only a
small number of supplies within the
State at the present time. Any pub-
lic announcement that you may care
to make concerning this compliment
which is being paid to you will meet
with our approval.

We are notifying the Texas State
Highway Department that Hondo is
being listed as one of the approved
water supplies in Texas so that they,
in turn, may instruct their field per-
sonnel to erect these signs on the
highways leading into this city. This
service is performed without charge
through the courtesy of the Highway
Department, and for any further ac-
tion concerning the erection and
maintenance of these signs we would
like to suggest that you communicate
directly with the Maintenance Divi-
sion of the State Highway Depart-
ment here in Austin.

Yours very truly,
GEO. W. COX, M. D.
State Health Officer.

GRH:BC
cc: Dr. W. H. Smith
Mr. Homer Wilson
State Highway Department
Att: Maintenance Division
Engineer R. H. Weiss

Local Manager, Homer Wilson, of
the Deep Well Company, informs us
that this recommendation has not
been lightly given. The Health De-
partment has submitted the water
from our two wells to repeated tests
over a period of two years, and
thoroughly satisfied every require-
ment before this certification was
granted. Mr. Wilson is naturally
highly pleased, and the people of
Hondo can be none the less so.

COMMISSIONERS IN SESSION

Commissioners' Court of Medina
County met in regular session Mon-
day, January 8, with all members
present. The following business was
transacted:

The monthly accounts of the Com-
missioners and the County were ex-
amined and approved. The Court al-
so ordered that the fee basis be
adopted the same as for 1939 for
payment of county officials for per-
formance of the duties of their of-
fices.

The County Treasurer was in-
structed to transfer \$800.00 from
the general fund to the courthouse
and jail fund.

The County Judge was ordered to
place a "Notice to Bidders" in the
County paper at Hondo advertising
for bids on February 12, 1940, for
purchase of one power controlled
gas motor grader, etc., for Commis-
sioner's Precinct No. 3. This notice
will be found elsewhere in this issue
of the Anvil Herald. Warrants are
to be issued in the maximum amount
of \$4,900 payable serially, to cover
the purchase of the grader.

On written application of Con-
stable Morris of Devine, E. J. Bow-
man was appointed Deputy Constable
for Justice Precinct No. 5. He will
be remunerated for the performance
of his duties on the fee basis.

The Court completed the order of
business for the day by ordering
the purchase of four additional sew-
ing machines for the Devine Sewing
room. The machines are not to cost
over \$22.50 each and guaranteed to
give satisfaction. The machines are
to be the property of Medina
County.

FOR RENT

Cottages, Rooms, Apartments
2 nicely furnished bedrooms.
1 2-room and complete bath cot-
tage, with electric lights, gas, fenced
in yard and garage—\$8.00 per
month.
1 3-room and bath cottage, with
garage, electric lights, gas, and fire-
place—\$10.00 per month.
1 8-room cottage with complete
bath; three apartments, unfurnished;
\$16.00.
2 2-room apartments furnished.
Phone 127-3 rings or apply at An-
vil Herald Office.

Let the Hondo Land Co. sell your
land for you.

ASSURED!

55 govt., SN Washington, D. C. 10:36 a. m., Jan. 10, 1940

President Hondo Ind. School District
Hondo, Texas

President has designated WPA project No. 40398 in amount \$24,786 to
construct gymnasium-classroom building and classroom buildings, move
existing building and toilet rooms, construct septic tanks and walks,
grade, sod, and landscape grounds, and perform incidental and appur-
tenant work. Stop.

Project now eligible for operation at discretion of State Works Pro-
jects Administration.

TOM CONNALLY.

TO SECURE NEW CHARTER

A working quorum of stockholders
of the Hondo Cemetery Association
met in the office of Tax Assessor-
Collector Heath Tuesday night. An
informal discussion brought out the
fact that the concern holds assets of
approximately \$1,000.00 and it was
voted to renew the charter and carry
on the business of the Association.
Attorney L. J. Brucks was employed
to rewrite the charter and look af-
ter the legal matters necessary to the
securing of its approval by state au-
thorities.

A new Board of Directors was
constituted by re-electing Judge H.
E. Haass, C. J. Bless and L. J.
Brucks of the old Board and adding
new members in the persons of John
A. Horger and Ed H. Ney.

This Association was organized in
January 1905, and has functioned
for thirty-five years, without any
legal or financial difficulties. It's
burial grounds are being utilized by
the entire community, causing a
large demand for lots. The W. O.
W. Lodge, the Catholic Church and
the Mexican population have each
been sold sections of the original
grounds, and a second platting for
the general public had to be made.
There are still a considerable number
of unsold lots available and more
grounds that can be platted.

BANK ELECTS OFFICERS

At the annual meeting of the
stockholders of the Hondo National
Bank Tuesday, January 9, the fol-
lowing were elected:

Board of Directors: Claude W. Gil-
liam, John Muennink, Elmer J. Lein-
weber, D. H. Fly and J. M. Finger.

Officers: Claude W. Gilliam, Presi-
dent and Chairman of the Board; J.
H. Burcin, Vice-President; Chas.
Finger, Cashier; A. H. Schweers, As-
sistant Cashier; W. A. Bendele, As-
sistant Cashier; and Roy J. Bohlen,
Bookkeeper.

The official statement of the fi-
nancial condition of the bank was
published in this paper last week and
showed the bank to be in a healthy
condition, and a credit to the officers
and directors in charge.

QUIHI NOTES.

Church Calendar:

January 14: English service at
10:30; Sunday school and Bible class
at 9:30; confessional at 10:15; ad-
ministration of the Lord's Supper.
Announce, please. German service at
New Fountain at 2 P. M. Annual
meeting. Luther League program at
7:15 A. M.

January 21: German service at
10:30; Sunday school and Bible class
at 9:30. At 7:15 P. M. Mr. W. G.
Olsen will show the "Life of Christ"
in screen pictures, with brief explana-
tions. You will enjoy it. A cordial
invitation for all services to you and
yours.

—C. W.

PERSONAL APPEARANCE

Must be the breath of spring—all
those yellow jasmine that dare to
bloom in the face of that cold
wave reported on the way from
Kansas.

S. A. JUNGMAN, in the midst of
writing a difficult letter, breathed
a wish that someone would make a
typewriter that could spell correctly.

MRS. J. L. WERST JR. calls her
husband the "Werst" half.

Congratulations to DR. O. B.
TAYLOR who celebrates a birthday
today... if asked his age he'll tell
you "his the 'shady side of forty'".

Did you know: C. F. SCHWEERS
knows how to knit?... He learned
by knitting ear-muffs during the
war... so he says.

Look-Alikes: SIS MERRITT and
MRS. BRU MILLER, with the ex-
ception of coloring... and we never
know if we are speaking to MRS.
JIM LYNCH or MRS. PETE HARL-
LEE... and if you saw the show
the other night, we wonder if you
saw a resemblance of English teacher,
MISS LUCILLE JOHNSON, to
songstress-actress, MARY HEALEY.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Bids will be received by Medina
County at the Court House at Hon-
do, Texas, until 10 o'clock a. m. on
February 12, 1940, for the purchase
of One power controlled gas motor
grader, weighing approximately 19-
000 lbs., monomember frame, high
blade lift, all enclosed gears, crank
type ball-in-socket lateral shift, start-
ing and lighting equipment, wide
front leaning front wheels
w/ 7.00x24" front tires, 4 wheel
tandem drive with low pressure rear
tires. —And a Gallon E-Z Lift Mo-
tor Grader to be taken as part pay-
ment, and notice is given that war-
rants will be issued in the maximum
sum of \$4,900.00, payable serially,
last maturity not later than April
15, 1944, bearing interest at the rate
of 4% per annum, interest payable
semi-annually. The right is reserved
to reject all bids. 2tc

ARTHUR H. ROTHE,
County Judge Medina County,
Texas.

HONDO HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB.

The Hondo Home Demonstration
Club met at the home of Mrs. A. H.
Schweers January 5th with seven
members present. The meeting was
called to order by the president and
the year book was fixed and given
to the members.

The next meeting will be held Jan-
uary 16th at the home of Mrs. Lloyd
Parsons.

—Reporter.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH.

Announcement for Sunday, Janu-
ary 14: Sunday school and Bible
class at 9:15 and German services at
10:30.

DISTRICT COURT TO CONVENE MONDAY

The regular January term of Dis-
trict Court for Medina County will
be held in the courthouse at Hondo,
beginning Monday, January 15th.
The Grand Jury and the Petit Jury
for the first week of Court will also
convene on that day. There are a
large number of civil cases continued
from last term of court to be heard
at the coming term, some demanding
jury, and including damage, divorce
and bond tax suits. The other cases
are as follows:

Appearance

Andres Zapata Jr. vs. Olivia Za-
pata, divorce.

Fred Schulze Jr. by next friend et
al vs. C. J. Johnson, et al, damages.

Allie Hardecastle vs. Henry Har-
decastle, divorce.

Leonard E. Meredith vs. Federal
Underwriters Exchange, damages.

Bertha Thomas vs. Ernest Thomas,
divorce.

Florence Hamor vs. John W. Ham-
mor, divorce.

J. C. Guenther vs. Dina Guenther,
divorce.

Bexar-Medina-Atascosa Counties
Water Improvement District No. 1
vs. W. C. Crawford, bond tax.

Bexar-Medina-Atascosa Counties
Water Improvement District No. 1
vs. Walter Nelson, bond tax.

Bexar-Medina-Atascosa Counties
Water Improvement District No. 1
vs. Lee McCain, bond tax.

Bexar-Medina-Atascosa Counties
Water Improvement District No. 1
vs. H. M. Fort, et al, bond tax.

Bexar-Medina-Atascosa Counties
Water Improvement District No. 1
vs. Henry Baetz and Louise Baetz,
bond tax.

Joe E. Lamon vs. Hartford Fire
Insurance Co., damages.

H. W. Johnson vs. V. C. McGinnes
and V. R. McGinnes

Lily Elizabeth Miller vs. Beuford
W. Miller, divorce.

Curtis Carter, by Guardian Mrs.
Mae Carter, vs. Earline Rustan Car-
ter, divorce.

In Re, Estate of I. H. King, de-
ceased, appealed from Medina Coun-
ty Court.

Criminal

There are several criminal cases
carried over from the July term of
Court which are withheld here pend-
ing arrests. However, the case of
The State of Texas vs. Claud Henry,
alias Cowboy Henry, murder, on
change of venue from Bexar County,
will be tried here on Monday, Janu-
ary 22nd.

Tax Suits

There are a large number of tax
suits, twenty from the Devine In-
dependent School District and four
from the Hondo Independent School
District, on the civil docket that are
continued. New tax suits filed are
as follows:

The State of Texas vs. Joe Mez-
zetti Jr.

The State of Texas vs. Carrie M.
Combe, Ind. and as Executrix of the
Estate of Frederick J. Combe, de-
ceased.

The State of Texas vs. Mary E.
Cameron et al.

The State of Texas vs. Mrs. Min-
erva Y. Miller, et al.

The State of Texas vs. J. L. West,
et al.

Those summoned to serve on the
Grand Jury are: James Amberson,
Chas. Finger, O. W. Tondre, Louis
Carle Jr., A. A. Blatz, J. W. Heath
P. F. Christilles, Joe Adam, G. R.
Hans, Joe L. Tondre, Frank J.
Wurzbach, F. G. Senne, Herman
Bippert, H. J. Boehle, Armin H.
Bendele Jr., and Louis A. Gerdes.

The Petit Jurors summoned for
the first week of Court are: Arthur
Nester, George Jungman, Geo. Etter,
Amos Finger, W. W. Wernette, J. V.
Pinland (Judge), Milton Fohn, How-
ard Mangold, E. A. Wurzbach, Wm.
Zinsmeyer, Eric A. Rothe, Joe Hoog,
John Krenmueller, W. A. Menck, J. C.
Redus, Rudolph Haby, R. C.
Gaines, Frank A. Graff, L. F. Laake,
O. A. Slater, John Haby, Otto Haeg-
lin, Gus Rothe, Herman Fohn, Al-
bert H. Saathoff, H. B. Miller (Bru),
Edward Bohl, Otto Marquis, Philip
Nixon and Clifford J. Keller.

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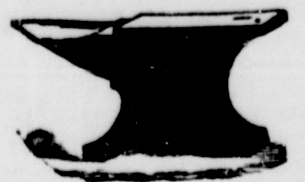
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SPARKS

Being News, Views and Reviews
by the
Managing Editor

CONDITION SERIOUS.

By Clayton Rand

According to the Murphreysboro
(Ill.) Independent, the follow-
ing answers among others ap-
peared on reports of Social Ser-
vice investigators.

Woman and house neat but bare
... Man has ulcer on his stom-
ach ... Woman has no job to be
mentioned ... Woman is saving
up for an illness ... Milk need-
ed for the baby and father is
unable to supply it ... Until a
year ago this applicant delivered
ice and was a man of affairs ...

These people are extremely cul-
tured. Something should be done
about their condition ... Man
has diabetes and is insulated
twice a day ... Man aggressive
—has nine children ... Appli-
cant and wife are illegally sep-
arated.

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THINGS TO BE PROUD OF; THINGS YET TO DO

The new year has brought Hondo
three things of which its people can
well be proud.

The telegram from Senator Con-
nally, printed elsewhere on this page,
brings assurance that Hondo's long
sought school improvements are at
last secure. Work should soon be
under way and when these improve-
ments are completed Hondo's school
needs should be taken care of to the
satisfaction of all parties. The peo-
ple have been generous in voting
taxes on themselves, the WPA has
made a liberal donation, the school
officials will be as careful in secur-
ing full value for the money spent
as they have been persistent in the
effort to secure the same. Those who
are to pay the indebtedness incurred
will be using the advantages secured
while paying the bill of costs.

The communication, which we
print elsewhere, from State Health
officer, Geo. W. Cox, M. D., in re-
gard to the purity of Hondo's drink-
ing water should bring great satis-
faction to the people of Hondo.
Nothing is more essential to the
health of the people than pure wa-
ter; nothing is more inviting to the
tourist than a feeling of safety in
the water he must drink. This as-
surance, properly exploited by an
active Chamber of Commerce, should
make Hondo a favorite spot for tour-
ists, on the Highway 90 that is and
the 173 that is to be, "to water", to
use a cowboy phrase. The value of
this asset of pure water should stimu-
late a determination to make it se-
cure by proper drainage, and Hon-
do's sewer proposition should not be
permitted to die.

And speaking of Highways, work
on the new bridge across the creek
east of town had started before the
close of the old year. It is progress-
ing rapidly and the pouring of con-
crete on the two big piers will prob-
ably start next week. The widening
of this bridge and removal of the
curves to its approaches is another
step towards further popularizing
Highway 90 with the tourists. As
travel increases over 90 the impor-
tance of 173, "from the hills (and
far beyond—across the plains and on
to the Canadian border) to deep
water" at Corpus Christi will be-
come all the more apparent—unless
we are asleep! Let's put Hondo defi-
nitely on that Highway as our next

LA COSTE LEDGERETS

The LaCoste Ledger.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rihn and daughters visited with relatives in San Antonio New Year's Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mangold visited Joe Tschirhart and Mesdames Pauline Tondre and Katie Hauck at Castroville one day last week. Mrs. Hauck, whose home is in San Antonio, spent several days in the Tondre home.

Mr. and Mrs. Linus Tschirhart and children from Hondo were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Tschirhart and children at Rio Medina New Year's Day.

Mrs. J. C. Biediger and sons, John C., Jr., Francis and Thomas, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Keller and children at LaPryor Sunday. Malcolm Keller, who spent the past week here, accompanied them to LaPryor.

Lee Tschirhart from Rio Medina spent the holidays at Pipe Creek as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Seb. Tschirhart.

Ewing and J. B. Rihn Jr. visited with friends and relatives in LaCoste Friday evening. They were accompanied to LaCoste by Mrs. Wm. Rihn who visited in San Antonio during the holidays.

Mrs. Theresa Obets and daughter, Florence, spent the New Year's holidays in San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Biediger and son of Spindletop were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Echtle and children Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Val Mangold of Noonan visited with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mangold here Friday.

Phil. A. Scherrer and son from the Sauz were LaCoste visitors Friday.

Mrs. Julius Mueller and children of Castroville were here Friday afternoon.

Mrs. James D. Williamson of Castroville was a business visitor in LaCoste Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Conrad and children visited with relatives here Friday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Haby of Cliff, a baby girl, on December 25th.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Rihn and son, Monte, of San Antonio, visited with relatives here New Year's Day.

Miss Olivia Salzman left Thursday for an extended stay at Sabinal.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Tschirhart and son, Ira, from Rio Medina were LaCoste visitors Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mangold visited Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Geiger and children at Castroville one day last week.

Mrs. Henry Salzman and daughters, Olivia and Janie, and son, Raymond, visited in the G. F. Griffin home at Atascosa Saturday evening.

Fred Jungman and son, Fred Jr., of Rio Medina visited Alex Jungman and family here Thursday.

Messrs. Alfred Keller, George Zuercher and Alvin Keller were in San Antonio on business Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Keller and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Haby above Rio Medina New Year's Day.

Mr. and Mrs. George Christilles and Miss Marie Christilles visited with relatives in San Antonio Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Bendele and son, Eugene, of Devine, visited with Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Biediger and children here Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Ehlinger and daughters of Devine visited with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Mechler Sunday.

Mrs. Richard Zinsmeyer and daughter, Elvira, of the Sauz spent Monday afternoon with Mrs. Otto Jungman.

Mrs. Louis Mangold of Castroville and Mrs. Joe Biediger and children of San Antonio visited with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Keller and children here New Year's Day.

Misses Olivia Salzman, Isabel Mangold and Hazel and Rose Lillian Jungman visited with Mrs. H. B. Miller at Hondo Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cletus Batto and children of Tarpley visited relatives and friends here New Year's Day.

Miss Fabiola Mechler returned to her home in San Antonio Tuesday after having spent the holidays in the P. F. Christilles home here.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Christilles and children spent Sunday and New Year's Day with relatives in Fredericksburg and Mason, Texas.

Arthur Biediger and Miss Emma Biediger spent Sunday and New Year's Day with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Biediger, here.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Mangold and son of Cliff, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Mechler and sons of San Antonio were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Jungman and daughter, Hazel, Sunday.

Mrs. Helena Keller and daughter, Mrs. J. C. Biediger and Mrs. Fred Koehler and children, spent Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Emil Elmendorf and children in San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Jungman Jr. and baby and Miss Louise Miksch of San Antonio, and Frank Miksch of Asherton spent New Year's Day here with Mr. and Mrs. Alex Jungman and children.

Miss Emma Graff and Mrs. Jacob Scheweers and daughters, Martha and Nelda, and Alice and Mary Emma Graff of Hondo visited Mrs. George Zuercher and in the home of Mrs. Mary Keller New Year's Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Mechler and daughter of Hondo, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Meyer and daughters of Dunlay and Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Zuercher of San Antonio visited Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Zuercher New Year's Day.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Kempf and

sons, and Mr. and Mrs. U. B. Kempf and children of Castroville and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Faust, daughter, Josephine, and son, Rev. Claude Faust, of San Antonio visited with Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Rihn and children here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bader and children from Dunlay and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Haby and daughter, Doris, from Medina Lake spent Sunday at Rio Medina as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Tschirhart and children.

Mrs. W. F. Biediger and children, Geraldine and Maurice, Misses Florence Obets and Marie Christilles, and Henry Lloyd Biediger visited in the Ralph Bendele and Howard Mangold homes at Noonan Sunday.

The guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Mangold and sons at Noonan on New Year's Day were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mangold, Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Mechler and children, Doris and Leon, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Geiger and son, Horace, and Lloyd Schuchart.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Jungman and son, Anthony, of Hondo visited Alex Jungman and family here Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hitzfelder and little son moved into their new home recently completed near LaCoste Saturday. Saturday evening they had a number of relatives and friends invited to a tamala supper. Those present were Mrs. Helena Zinsmeyer, Mr. and Mrs. Max Biediger and daughter, Eunice, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bohl, Mrs. Louise Hitzfelder and son, Ervin, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lamon and children, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Echtle and son, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bohl and children and Bernice Keller.

SAN ANTONIO LIVESTOCK MARKET

Monday, January 8, 1940

HOGS: Estimated salable receipts 700, total 800. Market active, strong to 1½c higher than late last week. Most good and choice 160 to 300 lb. butchers \$5.60 to \$5.70, the latter top to all interests. Similar grade of 140 to 160 lbs. mostly \$5.00 to \$5.70. Good packing sows \$4.50 to \$4.75. Pigs in light supply.

CATTLE: Estimated salable receipts 300, total 1,200; CALVES, salable 1,700, total 2,050. Stocker calves and short-fed yearlings slow and weak, some sales off as much as 25c. Cows and slaughter calves strong, some sales unevenly higher. Other classes fully steady with late last week.

Good short fed 705 lb. steers \$8.50. Most light weight short-fed yearlings \$7.75 to \$8.50, including four rail loads of yearlings scaling 563 lbs. at \$8.50. Small lot of 648 lb. fed yearlings \$9.25. Common yearlings sold down around \$6.00 and below. Canner and cutter cows mostly \$3.50 to \$4.50, including a load of 732 lbs. at \$4.15 and three rail loads of cutter cows scaling 677 lbs. at \$4.25. Common and medium cows \$4.50 to \$5.25, good cows to \$5.50 and above, including odd head at \$6.00 and a rail load of 1100 lb. fat cows at \$6.50, few out at \$5.75. Bulls mostly \$4.75 to \$5.75, including a part load of 1173 lb. Brahman bulls at \$5.60.

Good and choice slaughter calves \$7.75 to \$8.60, including rail loads scaling 340 lbs. at \$7.75, 248 lbs. at \$7.90, and 345 lbs. at \$8.60. Common and medium calves sold from \$5.50 to \$7.50, including a rail load of 404 lbs. at the latter price. Culls ranged down around \$4.50. Medium to good stocker calves mostly \$7.00 to \$8.75, few head of choice steer calves to \$9.00, odd head to \$9.25.

SHEEP: Estimated salable and total receipts 100. About steady. Few 80 lb. fall shorn yearlings \$4.00. Stocker lambs \$5.50.

For the past 30 years Texas has led the nation in total production of turkeys. At the same time, in 1938 Texas' 3,285,000 turkeys returned \$6,866,000 or \$2.09 each, while California's sales of 2,625,000 brought \$8,348,000, or an average of \$3.19. The average 1938 United States price was \$2.75 per bird. On the basis of these figures, recently released by the American Institute of Poultry Industries, A. H. Demke, executive secretary of the Texas Poultry Federation, has estimated that Texas turkeys are penalized from 4 to 6 cents a pound on eastern markets. The aggregate penalty amounts to between two and three and a half million dollars a year. Texas turkey growers began an improvement campaign in 1930 that is gradually bringing results. Prior to that time little attention was given to feeding and breeding programs. Turkey demonstrators are following the recommendations of Geo. P. McCarthy, poultry husbandman of the Texas A. and M. Extension Service, and are selecting their breeding flocks now. The most fully developed birds, and those that show the most desirable type, are being separated from the market birds and fed a developing feed rather than a fattening ration. County agricultural and home demonstration agents have been trained in the selection of breeding flocks and their services are available to turkey growers.

J. D. Laney, of Camp county, had been bothered with mites and lice on his flock of Brown Leghorns. He at last successfully eliminated these pests by the use of wild crepe myrtle branches. The branches were broken off the bush and placed around in the chicken house where the hens stayed. Now all insects are gone, according to Weldon B. Morris, county agent.

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RED SQUILL KILLS RATS.

Rats are not only an enormously expensive pest because of what they consume and destroy but also a menace to human health. We find the following direction for poisoning them in The Progressive Farmer:

"Red squill poison baits are effective against rats. Several kinds of bait mixtures are used, because the rats will become wary of any one food. It is a good idea to 'prebait', that is, use various mixtures without poison for a night or two, and then set up poison stations where the rats are known to feed and live. About a level teaspoonful of bait is used in one spot.

Bait may be spread on small rounds of cardboard, which are easy to gather up and destroy; or put into paper bags, with the tops tied. Care should be used to keep pets out of the way when rat poison is about, and not to use the baits above the ground floor of a dwelling. The formulas given below will not kill cats, dogs, or poultry, but are likely to make the mammals sick and cause them to vomit.

I
Red squill oven-dried powder, 1 ounce; lean hamburger meat, 15 ounces; cornmeal, 1 ounce. Mix the dry poison with the cornmeal first, then add the meat and as much water as needed to make a sticky, but not wet, mixture.

II
Red squill, 1 ounce; canned salmon or mackerel, 15 ounces; oatmeal, 1 ounce; water as needed. Mix the red squill with the oatmeal first, then add the fish and water as needed.

III
Red squill, 1 ounce; cornmeal, 16 ounces. Mix thoroughly and add sufficient water.
By changing formulas frequently the natural suspicion of the rats is allayed."

Quite often club boys preparing animals for the shows find their baby beavers are penalized because of grubs or "warbles" in the back. A remedy for this is to use an ointment consisting of powdered Derris root, 1 part, and petroleum, 10 parts. So advises R. R. Reppert, Extension Entomologist of A. & M. College. After removing the scab found over the grub on the back, indicated by a bump, a small amount of the ointment should be rubbed over this and repeated until all bumps have been treated. This kills the grub within. Since other grubs migrate to the back from deeper tissues throughout the winter, the treatment will have to be repeated for these as they appear. For treating large herds, one pound of fresh powdered Derris root of 1 per cent roten, one content is mixed with 1 gallon of water in which 2 oz. of soap has previously been dissolved.

—AAT—
Cotton compresses led the state's industrial procession during September by seasonally doubling the number of workers employed and much more than doubling payrolls. University of Texas business research officials report. These plants employed 97.5 per cent more workers than in August and a fraction of one per cent more than in September last year. Their payrolls were 140.5 per cent higher than in August and 13.3 per cent above September, 1938.



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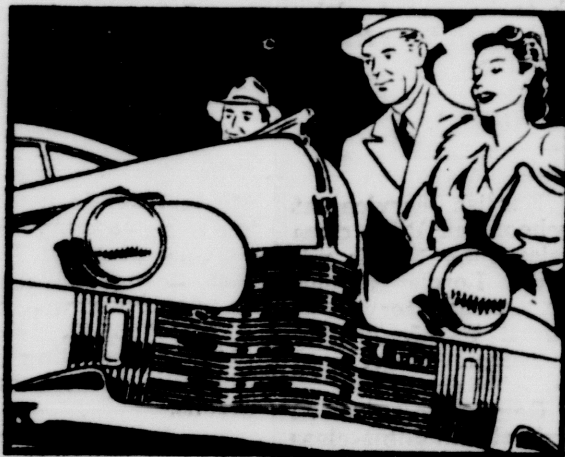
TEXAS MID-CONTINENT OIL AND GAS ASSOCIATION

Manufacturing industries raised their payroll level 3.6 per cent and number of employed workers 130,247. Non-manufacturing industries kept employment and payrolls at approximately the same as in August and in September, last year.

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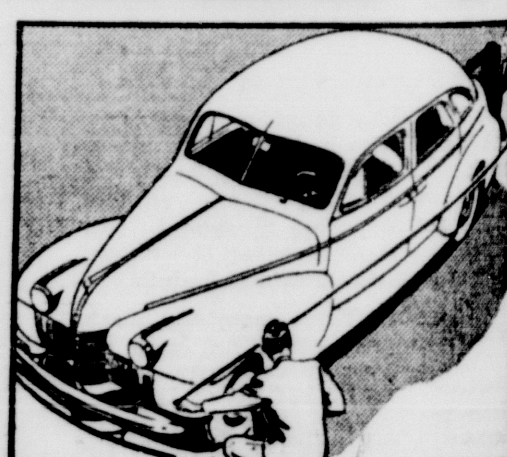
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Lee and Ira, were here Saturday
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ports the pecan crop of 1939 a com-
plete failure and the 1940 oat crop
is needing more rain.

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HONDO HAS DISTINGUISHED VISITOR



HON. BASCOM GILES

State Land Commissioner Bascom
Giles was here Friday while on a
land inspection and business trip
through Southwest and West Texas
during which he took up land office
matters with numerous land owners,
particularly where he could save
them the expense of making a trip
to Austin.

Commissioner Giles is a friend of
the West Texas land owner and is
more than glad to do anything he
can, he said, to help straighten out
their State land accounts, or any
matter pertaining to their lands in
which the State is interested. He
said that due to the fact so many
land owners are paying their State
school land interest he does not an-
ticipate that it will be necessary to
make any land forfeitures in the
near future.

The Land Commissioner has just
finished the first year of his admin-
istration, during which he succeeded
in bringing about major changes he
advocated to safeguard the State
public school land with the millions
of dollars in revenue coming to the
schools from the land and to better
protect land owners and their titles
to their tracts. Commissioner Giles
also has placed the administration of
the Land Office on a highly effi-
cient and business-like basis.

Principal recommendations he urged,
and which this year's Legislature
enacted into law, included creation
of the new State School Land Board,
revision of the land laws to afford
land owners a preference right to
purchase or lease vacant land located
in or adjoining their holdings, and
strengthening the law to curb vacan-
cy racketeering and land title cloud-
ing.

Commissioner Giles is Chairman of
the School Land Board, with Gov-
nor W. Lee O'Daniel and Attorney
General Gerald Mann the other mem-
bers. The non-salaried Board gov-
erns the sale and leasing of all State
school land.

Another important change he
urged which was embodied in the
new law is Section 4 which provides
that land owners may purchase ex-
cess acreage found in their holdings.
This change will enable many West
Texas land owners, as well as those
in other parts of the State, to quiet
titles to their holdings.

As Chairman of the School Land
Board Commissioner Giles has re-
cently been busy directing arrange-
ments for the first general sale of
public school land held in Texas in
10 years. The Board, on Wednes-
day, January 3rd, began the task of
opening more than 10,000 sealed
bids for some 205,000 acres of sur-
veyed school land in 107 counties,
most of it in West Texas. Award of
the bids to the high cash bidders will
be made by the Board as soon as pos-
sible, which will be about three or
four weeks, Commissioner Giles
said. Land Office employees are
busy tabulating the thousands of
sealed bids that were received.

Movement of poultry and eggs
from Texas farms slipped to a new
low point for the year during Sep-
tember as only nine cars of chickens,
two cars of turkeys and 38.5 cars of
eggs were shipped. The University of
Texas Bureau of Business Research
has reported.

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THERE are four interrelated sub-
jects which any person should
study before he attempts to engage
in any form of merchandising busi-
ness for himself. These are, mar-
keting, business finance, accounting
and business law. The man who
plans to start a small manufactur-
ing concern should also be a stu-
dent of production.

The ability to interpret financial
statements is as important to the
business executive as to the account-
ant. The day has passed when even
the smallest business can be oper-
ated successfully without financial
statements and the constant study
of the information they contain.

The great number of men who
go into business for themselves each
year, only a few meet with sufficient
success to enable them to continue
to operate. Statisticians have esti-
mated that from 80 to 90 per cent of
all small businesses ultimately fail.
The principal cause of failure is
lack of business knowledge. Many
small enterprises are started when
a cursory study of the market avail-
able would show that there was no
possibility of sufficient sales being
obtained regularly to meet operat-
ing expenses, let alone to pay inter-
est on the money invested and to
yield the owner a profit. Many busi-
nesses that have the possibility of
success fail because their owners
have insufficient understanding of
business principles and methods.

The direct aim of the business
man is to make a profit out of which
to support himself and his depend-
ents and to lay aside savings in as
large an amount as possible to con-
stitute a competence for his old age.
This desire to make money by en-
gaging in business for one's self is
typically American and perfectly
legitimate, but cannot be fulfilled
today without study of all the im-
portant aspects of business.

MARINE CORPS OPENS RE- CRUITING STATION

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the Marine Corps Base, San Diego,
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Apply it on the lower lashes, it will
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can be certain it will promote long
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Don't fail to pack Kurlash in
your bag—or
clip it in your
purse. This
precious little
radiator curls
your eyelashes
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onds—and it is
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well spent. Curled lashes are so
important—they make your eyes
look larger, and in the sunligh-
trow flatter, subtle shadow-
hat are guaranteed to fascinate
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know the liquid mascara called
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Mrs. J. L. West Jr. and little

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day after a several weeks' visit with

relatives in Dallas and Temple. They

were accompanied by Mrs. West's

parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Brad-

ford, and her sister and brother,

Miss Fay and Charles Bradford, of

Temple, who spent the day here.

Brazoria county boasts of fine rice

production in 1939, having harvested

39,320 acres or an average of near

17 barrels per acre. Rexora rice

seems to be the more profitable and

safe crop from the standpoint of

storms, since approximately 40% is

planted to that variety this year.

250,000 acres in this county are su-
ited to good rice production, according
to reports.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Bardin were

hosts to a group of friends Wednes-

day night when they entertained

with three tables of bridge. The

guests included Mr. and Mrs. Frank

X. Vance, Mr. and Mrs. Volney Poon,

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pfeil, Mr. and Mrs.

W. H. Case, and Mr. and Mrs. James

L. West Jr. High score prize went

to Mr. and Mrs. Vance, second to

Mr. and Mrs. Poon, and cut to Mr.

and Mrs. Case. Refreshments of

sandwiches, potato chips, cake, cof-

fee and tea were served.

Mrs. L. J. Brucks was hostess to

the Ladies' Bridge Club Tuesday af-

ternoon, entertaining the following

members and guests: Mesdames J. M.

Finger, H. T. Bardin, Ed Cameron,

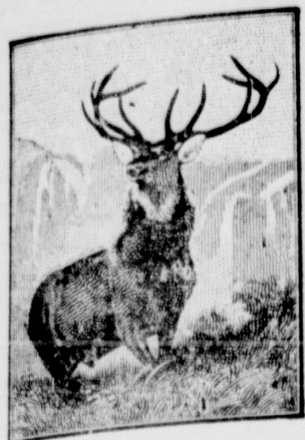
Ed Koch, O. B. Taylor, L. E. Heath,

Fletcher Davis and H. B. Hubert.

High score prize was won by Mrs.

Davis, second high by Mrs. Heath,

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JEAN ULBRICH NAMED CENSUS ENUMERATOR

The United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, is conducting an extensive campaign of canvassing Business and Manufactures Census for the year 1939.

This canvass of all business and manufactures began on January 2nd and is conducted throughout the entire nation for the purpose of preparing statistical information concerning the nation's resources and business activities. A large staff of officials, supervisors assistants and enumerators are now in the field undertaking this enormous job.

According to Mr. Francis W. Pulliam, Supervisor for the 15th District, of which Medina County is a part, Mr. Jean Ulbrich has been appointed as Enumerator for Medina County. Mr. Pulliam further stated that all business men of Hondo should cooperate with Mr. Ulbrich and lend him all assistance possible by supplying him with the necessary figures and data requested by the Bureau of the Census when he canvasses their place of business.

Inasmuch as these reports are required by an Act of Congress this Act also makes it unlawful for the Bureau to disclose any facts, including names or identity, from your Census reports. Your Census reports cannot be used for purposes of taxation, regulation or investigation.

WEATHER REPORTS

Hondo, Texas, Dec. 1939.—Total rainfall, 1.22 inches; for year 1939, 23.04 inches. Temperature: high, 80 on 11th; low, 30 on 29th. Four rainy days:

18—Trace
22—0.08
23—0.04
25—1.06
25—0.04

1.22 inches
19 clear days, 5 partly cloudy and 6 cloudy. First killing frost fall 1939, 30 degrees on 29th. A good general rain needed.

H. E. HAASS,
U. S. Weather Reporter.

Upper Hondo, for month of December, 1939.—Total rainfall, .99 inch; since January 1, 1939, 23.61 inches as compared with 25.65 inches in 1938. Temperature: maximum, 86 degrees on the 10th; minimum, 24 degrees on 20th, 29th and 30th. Twenty clear days, 2 partly cloudy, and 7 cloudy; prevailing wind South and South West.

E. S. RIEBER,
Cooperative Observer.

PLANS MADE FOR INTERSCHOOLASTIC LEAGUE MEET

School representatives from Hondo, Yancey, D'Hanis, Natalia, Devine, and LaCoste met in the month of December at LaCoste for the purpose of making plans for the Medina County Interscholastic League Meet for 1940. The meeting was called by Supt. Matt Bader of LaCoste.

The following directors of the Meet were elected: Mr. Brazelle of Natalia, Director General; N. L. McNeal, Yancey, basketball; Matt Bader, LaCoste, volleyball; C. D. Sadler, Hondo, tennis; Leroy Fry, Devine, playground ball; Tom Bridges, Hondo, track. The Director General was instructed to decide whether a Literary Meet will be held, and to name chairmen as needed and select a place and date for the meet, if held.

The meet will be held as follows: Basketball round robin tournament at Lytle, if possible, on February 16 and 17; volleyball at LaCoste; tennis at Hondo; playground ball at Devine; track at Hondo. Dates will be announced later.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Dec. 28, Lucio C. Castro and Simona Pedroza.

Dec. 28, Simon Villegas and Filiberta Resendes.

Jan. 3, Cosmo Torres and Ramona Gonzales.

Jan. 5, Raymond Littleton and Ruth Barksdale.

Jan. 11, Amos George Bendele and Ruby Ray Walton.

NEW AUTO REGISTRATIONS

Jan. 3, Fritz Swift, Devine, Ford station wagon.

Jan. 3, Devine Creamery (Bern Brown), Devine, Ford coupe.

Jan. 6, Griggs Canning Co., Natalia, Chevrolet truck.

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NEW HOME WORKER NAMED TO ASSIST FARM HOUSEWIVES

Dallas, Jan. 1.—Miss Harriett Dee Dickinson, of Canyon, Randall County, has been named home management supervisor for the Farm Security Administration in Medina, Real and Uvalde counties, it was announced today by Regional Director C. M. Evans.

Miss Dickinson was formerly a member of the FSA staff at McKinney. She has a degree in home economics from West Texas Teachers College, Canyon, and has done further study at the University of Texas. She has also taught home economics for several years in West Texas high schools.

She is to aid in the rehabilitation of low-income farm families of the three counties by guiding and educating the women in improved home-making methods and use of farm-grown products in the home. Her work supplements the loans furnished by the Farm Security Administration and the service is advising and educating low-income farmers in good farming practices given by F. S. A. farm supervisors.

Miss Dickinson's headquarters are at Hondo. She succeeds Louise Mauldin who resigned recently.

SHEET-LIGHTNING

See! the skies are clouding over
As the sound of War is heard,
And sheet lightning flares and glimmers

On the ugly spoken word;
And the flag of Hate is fluttering
In the distance half unfurled,
As a blood-red mirage hastens
Down the pathways of the world;
Right and left our youth are gathering

Preened for holocaust of ire,
Rank on rank they join the armies
Trading peace for chains of fire;
"Comrades" far too free and happy,
Much too young to kill and slay,
Hands too clean to hold a sabre
Red with heart's-blood of the fray,
Eyes too clear to know the torture
Of the shrapnel's twisting pain,
Hearts too kind to feel the anguish
Born of Wars' elusive gain;
Lord, they were not meant for soldiers

And War's tanglement of lies,
Let the winds of Heaven scatter
This sheet lightning from the skies.
—MARGARET SCHAFFER CONNELLY.

WRITING AN ATTRACTIVE POLICY

Messrs. R. W. Scott, District Manager, and C. W. Cleavenger, District Sales Manager, for the Union Southern Life Insurance Company of Dallas, Texas, are here this week writing funeral benefit insurance for their company. They have been highly pleased with results so far secured from the Company's half page advertisement in this paper last week.

It will be remembered that they offer a family group policy which protects the entire family. It is non-cancellable, non-assessable and is sold on monthly payments. Upon the death of the insured the Company will pay the beneficiaries in cash or the policy can be used the same as cash at John A. Horgan's funeral home.

Their policy deserves the careful consideration of those needing protection.

W. O. W. SPECIAL NOTICE

There will be a joint installation of officers of the several W. O. W. camps of District No. 5 at Devine, Texas, January 17th, at 7:30 P. M. State Manager J. R. Sims of Dallas will be the Installing Officers, and other prominent Woodmen will be present.

This is to be a meeting of great importance and all members are invited.

This is the 50th anniversary of the Woodmen of the World—let's start it with a bang!

Remember the date and be on time. Barbecue will be served.

DR. O. B. TAYLOR,
Consul Commander.

H. H. CROW,
Fin.-Sec'y.

Camp 154, Hondo, Texas.

NAVY RECRUITING REPRESENTATIVE TO BE HERE JAN. 16

We have been requested to announce that a representative of the U. S. Navy Recruiting Service of San Antonio, Texas, will be at the Hondo Post Office during the hours of 11 a. m. and 1 p. m. on January 16, 1940.

Any persons interested in the Navy or desiring information regarding enlistment in the Navy should apply there during those hours at which time the representative will be here.

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Concerning Cookies

A COOKY, every child agrees,
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At four o'clock, or half past ten—
It really doesn't matter when.
A cooky, too, should overflow
With plums and cherries in a row,
And never plain—though grown-ups say

They're better for a child that way.
But grown-up folks were seldom small;
They do not understand at all,
For if they were as children are,
They'd know about a cooky jar!

—Susan Adger Williams.

And now that the school season is in full swing again, it's important to know about a cooky jar. They needn't be plain, these cookies, when they can be filled with delicious canned fruits which are healthful and enticing.

Two Good Kinds

Scotch Peach Cookies: Cream one-half cup shortening and one-half cup sugar, then add one well-beaten egg. Make one-third cup peach puree by pressing canned peaches, fruit and syrup, through a sieve. Add to the first mixture. Add the following ingredients: one teaspoon baking powder, one-fourth teaspoon soda and a few grains of salt. Then add one cup of quick-cooking oatmeal. Chill. Drop by small spoonfuls on a greased baking sheet. Bake two inches between cookies. Bake in a moderate oven, 350 degrees, for about ten minutes. This makes about four dozen cookies.

Mince-meat Cookies: Cream one cup shortening and one and one-half cups sugar; then add two well-beaten eggs. Add one cup canned mince-meat, then add the following sifted, dry ingredients: three cups pastry flour, three teaspoons baking powder and a few grains of salt. Drop by small spoonfuls on a greased sheet, leaving plenty of space between cookies. Bake in a moderate oven, 375 degrees, for about twenty minutes. This makes seven dozen cookies.

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FOLK DANCE FESTIVAL AT UNIVERSITY

Austin, Texas, Jan. 12.—In a folk dance festival Thursday night, University of Texas students displayed their interest in the current trend to revive folk traditions, a movement which on the Texas campus is reflected in both classroom studies and extra-curricular programs.

Members of the University's only co-educational physical education class, one in folk dancing, were hosts for the festival, assisted by the campus square dance club, Swing and Turn.

Not content to limit the festival to the dance, the sponsors conscripted William Hadden of Fort Stockton to lead folk singing and enlisted the help of the home economics department in arranging displays of dolls in folk costume and in collecting unusual recipes from foreign lands.

Three ballrooms at the Women's Gymnasium were reserved for the dance—one for the "schottische", "put your little foot", and "polka"; a second for German and Czechoslovakian dances; and a third for square dancing called by members of Swing and Turn. Guests progressed from room to room and gathered for a sing song as the festival closed.

John Russell Crouch of Hondo and Anna Lee McAnelly of Yancey, who are members of Swing and Turn, were among the hosts at the festival.

THOSE IRON FOODS.

By Betty Barclay.

It's a good idea to have lists of foods that are rich in the various minerals and salts. One never knows when some member of the family, neighbor or friend may need the advice such lists will enable you to give.

Lean beef is exceptionally rich in iron. If you do not care for beef, oysters and spinach are almost as good. Then, in the order named, we have molasses, eggs, graham bread, potatoes, oatmeal, green peas, fish, dates and raw cabbage. No need for anyone to go without his quota of iron.

Renew for the popular rural home paper, the Dallas Semi-weekly Farm News, at the Anvil Herald office. Special low cost clubbing rate with Farming. tf

RISEING MOON.

The moon
is a huge cup
filled with melted gold.

It splattered
in the pouring
and is sprinkled around.
—MALOY BYRNS.

QUATRAIN.

"Awake, get up, you sleepy head,"
I'd have to be more firm.
"Remember 'bout the early bird—"
But, Gee, who wants a worm!
—THELMA IRELAND.

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New Books Added To Library

Students who like to read will be interested in knowing that several books have been purchased from Austin, Texas. Ten of the books ordered arrived here Monday and have been put in the library. These ten include seven fiction, one historical one biography, and one travel novel.

The seven fictitious novels are "The Ghost on the Balcony" by Dwight Marfield, "Lives of a Bengal Lancer" by Major Yeats-Brown, "The Scarlet Pimpernel" by Baroness Orczy, "The Citadel" by A. J. Cronin, "The Red Lamp" by Mary Roberts Rinehart, "If I Have Four Apples" by Josephine Lawrence, and "Sand" by Will James. "Phantom Crown", from which the picture "Juarez" was taken, is a historical novel written by Beritita Harding. The biography of "Queen Elizabeth" is written by Katharine Anthony. An interesting travel story written by James Wilson is "Three-Wheeling Through Africa". This is also among the ten books.

The books are at present reserved for seniors but perhaps in the future they will also be checked out to other students.

—Owlets—

Choral Club To Begin Work On Music Revue

At the meeting of the Glee Club, it was decided to have a music revue at the end of school instead of an operetta, as the people seem to enjoy this type of entertainment.

The revue is to be of the same type as the one presented last year, except it will be as a parade of the nations. Names for the revue and songs to represent the different countries were submitted, out of which a name and the songs for the revue will be picked. Work will begin on the play just as soon as the songs are selected and the dialogue is completed. Mary Ann Noonan has charge of the music and Mary Luis Haegelin will take care of the dialogue.

Mrs. Sadler, choral club sponsor, has chosen the members of the mixed chorus and also the members of the boys quartet. The members of the quartet are: Charles Finger, Leslie E. Holloway, Charles Richter, and Henry Martin Finger.

—Owlets—

F. F. A. Boys Sponsor Coon Hunt

The recent coon hunt of the Hondo Future Farmers was so successful that they decided on January 3 to hold another one on January 19.

It was also decided to have barbecue on the hunt.

The committees for the hunt are: Place: Albert Lacy, Clinton Elitch, C. D. Sadler.

Dogs: Victor Saathoff, Eela Raye, Walter Bendle.

Ways: Lacy C. Gilliam, Melvin Wendland and Clyde Johnson.

An offer to play donkey football was made to the F. F. A. and was discussed at the meeting. The F. F. A. team would play some team made up of business men.

Hide tanning has been begun by the Agriculture classes.

—Owlets—

Girl's Physical Ed Class Active

The girls Physical Education classes have begun. It has been decided to have physical education out of doors two days of the week if good weather permits. One day of the week a health class is held indoors.

Last week the girls studied posture. They walked across the stage and from the group the girl with the best posture was chosen.

The girls seem to like their new plan of work.

—Owlets—

Making Punishment Fit the Crime
Magistrate: "What is your name and occupation, and what are you charged with?"

Prisoner: "My name is Sparks. I am an electrician, and I'm charged with battery."

Magistrate, after recovering his equilibrium: "Officer, put him in a dry cell."—Kentish Mercury.

Home Demonstration Club Program

NELL L. FOLEY
Medina County Home Demonstration Agent
HONDO, TEXAS
Telephone 78

PROGRAMS

FROM THE YEAR BOOK.

JANUARY

(With Agent)

Date: Place: Poultry Dem. Home
Business Meeting: "How can the home demonstration club serve my community better?"
Demonstration: Testing flock for Polloreum Diseases, Brooder Houses.
Repeat cutting demonstrations where needed.
Agent will visit Poultry Demonstrators and Whole Farm Demonstrators.
Report of Council Delegate.

MEMBER MEETING

Date: Place:
Business Meeting: Chairman will appoint committee chairman. Fill out year book for year.
Expansion:
Program:
Finance:
Membership:
Suggested Programs:
1. Pruning Rural Landscape
2. Laying Houses for Chickens
3. Basket Weaving

MOTTO

"To Make the Best Better"

PLEDGE

I pledge:
My head to clearer thinking,
My hands to greater service,
My heart to truer loyalty and finer sympathy
My health to more efficient living in service to my home, my community, my country and to my God.

PRAYER

Help me O Lord, to live so that the world may be a little better because Thou didst make me. Amen.

THEME FOR 1940

"Urge every farm family in Medina County to use the equivalent of fifty pounds of cotton."

COUNCIL GOALS

1. Finance three trips to District Home Demonstration Association Meeting at Goliad.
2. Finance three trips to State Home Demonstration Association Meeting to be held at College Station.
3. Sponsor a two day encampment.
4. Sponsor an educational trip.
5. Sponsor a county wide Exhibit Day.
6. Sponsor a one day Extension Tour.
7. Sponsor the mattress campaign in Medina County.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call to order.
2. Ten minute opening exercises (club motto, pledge, prayer, recreation).
3. Roll Call.
4. Reading of Minutes.
5. Communications not requiring action.
6. Report of Committees.
7. Report of Council Delegate.
8. Unfinished business.
9. New business.
10. Program.
11. Adjournment.

Science Club Elects Officers For New Term

The Science Club held its regular meeting Thursday, January 4, 1940. The purpose of this meeting was to elect new officers for the second half of the school term. They are: H. Finger, president; Herbert Bulgerin vice-president; Mildred Van Fleet secretary-treasurer; Novelle Lambert, reporter; and J. B. Redmond sergeant-at-arms.

It was also decided that a meeting would be held Tuesday afternoon to discuss the skating party.

—Owlets—

THOUGHTS OF A SENIOR

I think that I shall never see,
A "D" as lovely as a "B"—
A "B" whose form is pressed,
Upon the records of the blessed,
A "D" comes easily and yet,
It isn't easy to forget:
"D's" are made by fools like me,
But only God could make a "B".
—Lehigh Burr.

GRADE SNAPSHOTS

The first graders all had a fine Christmas but they are ready for work and are happy to be in school again.

They have decided to study about homes this month. (Animals have homes. People have homes. People in the cold north live in igloos. Our homes are different.)

The first graders are making a play house for some little dolls. The play house will be like their homes. There will be a kitchen, a dining room, a living room, a bath room and a bed room in the house.

The Third Grade is also studying about houses. A nice collection of different buildings is being constructed of varied colored construction paper.

These have been arranged very attractively on the sand table to resemble a small town.

One interest in Fourth Grade at present is "Who will win the prize for the most book report points by the end of the week?" Marjorie Taylor is leading at present.

The Fourth Grade Hobby Club is

still progressing with interest. Without a doubt they have some artists in the bud. Several pupils have brought their own boxes of paints.

Miss Horton spent the Christmas holidays in Amarillo, Texas, and Enid, Oklahoma.

The Seventh Grade hit on a very interesting idea by featuring a Man on the Street program in the last meeting of the Blue and White Club.

—Owlets—

SUFFICIENCY

A book agent, approaching a negro running an elevator, tried to convince him he needed a certain book on mechanical engineering.

"No, boss, don't want no books. Don't get no time fo' readin' books," he drawled. "It takes all mah time to run dis elevator."

"But this book will help you to run your elevator. See here: there's a whole chapter here on elevators," persisted the canvasser.

"Don't want no help to run dis elevator," said the dinky. "Dis elevator runs all right now."

"But," said the canvasser, "This will help you to run it better. You will know twice as much when you get through."

"No boss," he said. "Why boss, I know more now than I git paid for."

—Owlets—

We seem to have read somewhere that every woman can keep a secret—in circulation.—London Opinion.

A TIME SAVER

JONES—Why are you at the station at this unearthly hour? Your train doesn't start for another two hours.

Smith—Well, you see, I can never remember all the things I have forgotten till I get to the station, so I have to allow for plenty of time to go back for them.—Texas Ranger.

—Owlets—

Accustomed to It

She: "It's wonderful—marvelous! I called Jake a fathead, and he never flinched!"

Her: "Oh, of course not! In summer he's a baseball umpire, and in the fall he's a football referee!"

—Owlets—

GOOD OLE EXAMS

Finals, finals everywhere
With drops and drops of ink,
And never a Prof who'll leave the room
And allow a guy to think.

—Owlets—

I've drunk about a million cokes
I've heard a 1,000 "salesman's" jokes!
I've had a million dates
With 50,000 different "Kates"

And now I'm going to graduate,
Maybe!

Styled for the Streamlined Forties



The Studebaker Champion for 1940, which made its appearance before local motorists this week. This is a two-door sedan model, styled by famous Raymond Loewy and built by the craftsmen of Studebaker's great South Bend factories. It is a six with 78 horsepower and surprising alacrity on either open road or dense traffic.

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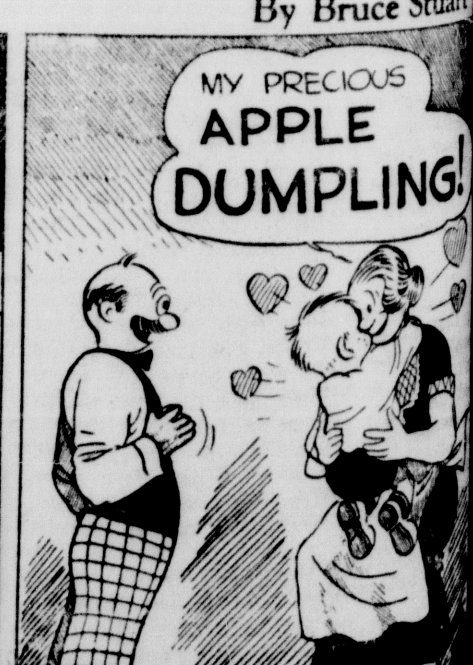
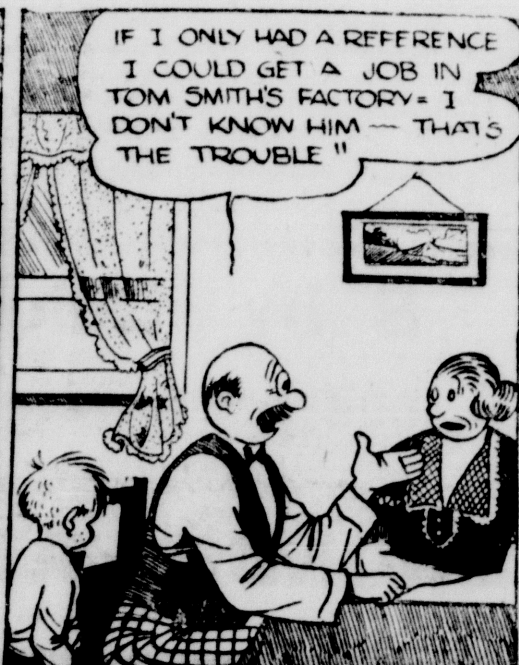
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**WASHINGTON
SNAPSHOTS . . .**
by
James Preston
The opinions here expressed are
Preston's own and not neces-
sarily those of this paper.—M. E.

Who Owes Who and How Much is
the theme of a little game being
played between the White House and
the Hill.
It is a friendly game. No one will
be hurt over division of the stakes.
The sides know the rules pretty well.
The game of this kind is played
every year when it becomes neces-
sary to map out a new budget for the
federal government.

The only winner in the game to
date is the Farmer. He already has
money—and probably has spent
it on the White House is trying to
win its chess men over the fiscal
board to show that Congress
has this money to the farmer and
no plans for repaying the
debt.

Congress has issued no official
statement. But it is known that
the members of Congress felt that
the farmer was entitled to his share
of the federal money just the same
as the city relievers.
The situation is this: The
federal debt is \$41.5 billions.
The present law \$45 billions is the
maximum the federal government
can borrow.

Federal spending exceeds federal
income by such a proportion that this
makes the administration operat-
ing on a close margin. And, in ad-
dition to last year's expenses the ad-
ministration wants another half bil-
lion for military preparedness.

The administration claims that in
the last two years Congress voted
\$400,000,000 in benefit payments.
The administration says Con-
gress shall repay this money. That
means new taxes and Congress
not wish new taxes in an elec-
tion.

The President insists that Con-
gress vote this money the legislators
two ways out. They can approve
the Wallace Certificate Plan
which is the 1939 name for Process-
ors, or it can vote a national
tax.

The proposed certificate
plan would work this way: Farmers
comply with acreage allotments
and receive special certificates for
difference between the market
and parity prices. Processors
would be required to purchase
certificates along with the purchase
of farm commodities. Presumably
the extra cost to the processor would
be passed along to the consumer.

But no matter by what name a
tax is known it means taking money
out of somebody's pocket and even
if the nation, now accustomed to talk-
ing of billions, the procedure is not
new.

—WSS—
S. Navy officers are among the
most observers of the European
war. At present the Navy has a huge
ship construction program un-
der way. Before completing this pro-
gram it wishes to make sure that
there is no new development in naval
warfare that would make this pro-
gram out of date.

For this reason work has been
up deliberately on the 10,000-
ton cruisers Cleveland and Columbia.
The Navy was waiting to see how ef-
fective the 10,000-ton German pocket
battleships would prove. What
happened to the Admiral Graf Spee
is a partial answer.
—WSS—
Much is being printed these days
about breaking the British blockade.
The experts say this may be done.
In the same breath add that in
the centuries only one man was
able to win out in the end
against British sea power.
The name of this one man was
George Washington.
—WSS—
It has been announced that since
the beginning of the present admin-
istration in Washington no fewer
than 2,358 "executive orders" have
been issued from the White House.
The range from orders creating
bureaus to orders changing
the date for observance of Thank-
sgiving.
—WSS—
Upon learning of the 2,358 figure
Washington writer commented:
"One order a lot of us would like
to see." "As you were!"
—WSS—
Sometimes we find ourselves say-
ing that Americans are like no other
people on the face of the globe. It
is merely a narrow national pride
that produces this attitude, either;
simply the fact that our particu-
lar advantages in possessing indi-
vidual freedom have made us more
capable, better able to move ahead,
and these reflections occur naturally
also better able to accept change

to mind upon reading a recent news
item from New York City about the
arrival by airplane from the West of
an 82-year-old American woman who
had made the trip the other way
many years ago in a covered wagon.
Besides being an indication of the
great progress this country has made
in less than one lifetime, the story
helps to picture that pioneer spirit
that is part of most Americans and
has made our forward progress pos-
sible.
"I'm not afraid of anything," the
intrepid passenger told reporters.
"Why, I told my husband years ago
that one day the sky would be full
of flying machines and that I'd like
to ride in one. I'm certainly thrilled
to think that I jumped from a cover-
ed wagon to an airplane in one life-
time."
The spirit that has brought Amer-
ica so far along the road of progress
is as strong as ever. There's testi-
mony to prove it!

"NOBODY'S BUSINESS."
By
Julian Capers, Jr.

The opinions here expressed are
the author's own and not neces-
sarily those of this paper.—M. E.

AUSTIN, January 6.—Chief polit-
ical interest in Texas centers around
the race for Governor in 1940, as the
new year, bringing with it state, na-
tional and local campaign periods,
brought an early revival of political
talk and activity.

Gov. W. Lee O'Daniel, regarded as
a certain candidate for re-election to
a second term next July, was regard-
ed generally by political observers as
an odds-on favorite for re-election at
this time. O'Daniel obviously has
lost strength from the peak period of
his popularity, when he was swept in-
to office with about 575,000 votes—
a clear majority of all his opponents.
But most observers think that O'Daniel,
in the favored position of a
Democratic office-holder seeking a
second term, would be an easy win-
ner, unless some unexpected develop-
ment occurs between now and sum-
mer. It seems fairly obvious that
the Governor does not intend to call
a special session of the Legislature.
Because nothing has been done about
his \$30 a month for everybody
pledge to the old folks, he has, of
course, lost some support from that
quarter. Many small business men,
too, have lost their enthusiasm for the
"business man governor", but off-
setting this, O'Daniel has pleased the
natural resource, public utility and
other groups at whom tax drives are
usually directed, by saving them po-
tential millions of new taxes that
were not imposed—and big business
is a vitally helpful influence in an
election, since it is from this source
that most campaigns are financed.

Hines May Oppose W. Lee
Speculation in Austin centers
around who will be O'Daniel's oppo-
nent. There are many rumors to the
effect that Railroad Commissioner
Ernest Thompson, runner-up to
O'Daniel last time, and regarded as
a certain candidate already cam-
paigning on a platform of more lib-
eral pensions and higher oil taxes to
pay them, may not run, after all.
One unverified report purported to
chronicle an unofficial offer from
close friends of Thompson to support
Highway Commissioner Harry Hines,
of Dallas and Wichita Falls, should
he decide to make the race. Hines
is known to yearn rather strongly to
run, and his successful oil operations
during the past few years are said
to have netted him a private fortune
sufficient to finance a campaign
without outside help, if he wants to
spend some of it that way.
There has also been considerable
talk that Jerry Sadler, another mem-
ber of the Railroad commission,
might enter the gubernatorial lists.
Sadler's press agents of recent weeks
have been building him up strongly,
with pieces in the paper about his al-
leged friendship with President
Roosevelt, and his snuff-dipping hab-
its. Senator Joe Hill, bitter foe of
the sales tax, is reported to have
toured the state and decided the time
is not ripe for him to make a race for
governor. Nothing has been heard
from Tom Hunter, the perennially am-
bitious West Texan of recent
months, but Tom can't ever be coun-
ted out as a candidate.

Rail Post Race Hot
Hottest State contest, it appears,
will be over Lon Smith's job on the
Railroad Commission. There are
half a dozen potential candidates,
including Carl Nesbitt, Bill McDonald,
Olin Culberson, and possibly several
county judges from various sections
of the state.

The well-timed announcement of
State Auditor Tom King declaring he
couldn't even audit the rural school
aid funds, because of inadequate in-
formation, makes certain that State
Superintendent L. A. Woods will
have a hot contest, as he seeks his
fifth term. The Department of Ed-
ucation has grown into one of the
most powerful political machines in
Texas, which devotes itself so per-
sistently to the perpetuation of its
present superintendent in office that
many observers are doubtful whether
Woods will be ousted this year.

Attorney General Gerald Mann,
with a splendid record for interpret-
ing and enforcing the law without
fear or favoritism, will probably have
no opponent, and certainly no serious
campaign to make for a second term.
Bascom Giles, first term Land Com-
missioner, is generally conceded un-
beatable for a second term, although
the ill feeling remaining from his de-
feat in 1938 of Bill McDonald, may
result in a strong effort being made
to unseat Giles. Comptroller George
Sheppard's office is one of the best
run clerical departments in the state
government, and his far-flung staff
of field men are able politicians, so
that most observers here doubt if he
will have serious opposition.

Beauchamp to Have Race
In the judicial positions, chief
prospect of a contest centers around
the place on the Court of Criminal
Appeals to which Tom Beauchamp
was appointed by Gov. O'Daniel.
Beauchamp appears now certain to
have at least one, maybe two strong
opponents.
Senator Tom Connally, by his fine
record during his second term as a
statesman with an allegiance to his
nation and state that is broader than
partisanship, apparently has discour-
aged all opposition that might give
him trouble. He probably will not
have to campaign very vigorously for
re-election.
Texans are watching the presiden-
tial campaign with great interest, and
the outcome of the Garner boom at
this stage is largely undetermined,
and will be, until President Roose-
velt makes clear his position on a
third term. The President obviously,
with a session of Congress just be-
ginning that will handle many con-
troversial matters, is going to keep
the politicians guessing about his fu-
ture course as long as possible, which
is good strategy.

Wait on F. D. R.
Most Texas guessers think he has
no intention of running himself, but
will have a lot to say about naming
the party's standard bearer, particu-
larly under the new majority rule
that will prevail in the next national
convention. The Garner folks are
insistent in declaring there is "no
reason why Roosevelt should oppose
Garner", but their very persistence
in repeating this raises the suspicion
they may fear the the prospect. If
the President supports some other
candidate, there is enough Roosevelt
enthusiasm in Texas to make quite
a contest in the State convention
when the time comes to instruct the
Texas delegation.
Local candidates this year
throughout the State are early in be-
ginning activity. From many sec-
tions comes reports and published
announcements, indicating warm
contests for legislative and senatorial
places, and local offices such as
sheriff, tax collector and county
judge and commissioners.
Altogether, 1940 promises a splen-
did political show in Texas, with na-
tional, state, district and local con-
tests to enlist the activity of those
whose temperature rises with the
coming of July in political years.

NOTICE BY EXECUTRIX

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Medina.
To Those Indebted to or Holding
Claims against the Estate of Clyde
Hollaway, Deceased:

The undersigned, having been duly
appointed executrix of the estate of
Clyde Hollaway, deceased, by Hon.
Arthur H. Rothe, Judge of the Coun-
ty Court of Medina County, Texas,
on the 27th day of December, A. D.
1939, and having duly qualified as
such, hereby notifies all persons in-
debted to said estate to come for-
ward and make settlement, and those
having claims against said estate to
present them to her within the time
prescribed by law at her residence
in Hondo, Medina County, Texas,
where she receives her mail.
This 27th day of December, A. D.
1939.

LUCILLE BURDEN.

Independent Executrix of the
Estate of Clyde Hollaway,
deceased.

**ANSWERS TO OUR PUZZLE
CORNER**

Goofygraph: cop with wrong hat;
"cop" misspelled; candy shop with
clothing in window; snake with bell
on tail; snake on window frame;
club of cop's; cop's trousers; awning
stripe missing; ball not falling from
awning; birdnest in cop's hair.
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"ESPIONAGE AGENT"—Sunday and Monday, a highly melodramatic story of America's counter-espionage system. The cast, headed by Joel McCrea, includes Brenda Marshall, Jeffrey Lynn, George Bancroft, Stanley Ridges and James Stephenson.

"THE ROARING TWENTIES"—Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, with James Cagney starred in the type of gangster role which first made him a favorite. The film is a recording of the highlights of that hectic period between the end of the World War and the collapse of the financial bubble in 1929. In the cast are Priscilla Lane, Humphrey Bogart, Gladys George, Jeffrey Lynn, Frank McHugh and Paul Kelly.

SWEET BABY EYES.

Eyes of the Christ-child, baby eyes,
Before your light we're kneeling
While Christmas songs toward heaven rise
And Christmas bells are pealing.

While earth in peace is charming,
white
Beneath its soft snow-cover
Where icy Winter reigns to-night
And heavy, low clouds hover.

Light of the world, in baby eyes,
Be you the world's salvation
For in their depths the answer lies
For every asking nation.

Let warriors cast their swords aside
Before your prayer entreating:
"May Peace on earth reign far and wide
Forever 'War' defeating".

Before your baby innocence,
Let us bow low, oh Savior!
Let lost sons weep in penitence
And better their behavior.

Sweet baby eyes, where e'er you gleam
Pure as a soft star-flower
Inspire love's good-willing-dream
By your light's pleading power.

Let wise men in you seek and find
The Way—out of all sorrow
That it may dawn, for all mankind,
The better, brighter morrow.

Be you the great promoters of
World-betterment forever;
Sweet baby-eyes, oh eyes of love—
May your light fail us never!
—IRENE MARION KAHLAN.

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men
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—ADDIEBELL SENTER PORTER.

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ISABELL KARM, LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE

News and advertising copy for this column for the week's issue should be submitted to Miss Karm or mailed direct to us at Hondo not later than Tuesday night of each week. Miss Karm is authorized to collect and receipt for any business for this paper.

CASTROVILLE, TEXAS, TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 1940

Stop at the Blue Bonnet Cafe at Castroville, Texas, for good Eats, Beer and Home-made Ice Cream and Bread. Courteous Service. Patronize a home industry and help your home town. Bread for sale at all stores in Castroville.

Dance at Wernette's Garden, Castroville, Sunday, January 14, 1940. Music by Joe Hartmann's Orchestra. Admission: Gents, 35c; Ladies, 15c. Everybody Welcome.

Mrs. Eugene Corder, Jr., and baby daughter, Laurel Jean of Uvalde spent several days as guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Tschirhart and sons, Omer and Elray.

Misses Lorine Schneider and Mary Basch returned from a two weeks' visit with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nelson at Catspring, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Belzung of San Antonio were visitors of his father, Victor Belzung, here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Felix Jungman and daughter, Florine, were Hondo visitors Monday.

Misses Augusta, Theresa and Frieda Naegelin and brother, John, and Joe Mann of Lytle visited their grandmother, Mrs. Josephine Naegelin Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Bohl and family and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Bohl and daughter of Devine were guests of relatives here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Noonan and children motored to Cotulla Sunday for a visit with Mrs. Noonan's sister, Mrs. Charles Brown and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Tuerpe of Lytle were Sunday guests of their niece, Mrs. Harry Hans and family.

Mr. Louis Jungman of Devine was a caller in the Chas. Suehs home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Tondre spent Thursday in San Antonio.

John and George Coyle of San Antonio spent Sunday here as the guest of Elton Tondre.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe E. Tschirhart Jr. of here and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Tschirhart and son, Roy James, of Neotoma spent Monday afternoon visiting Joe Tschirhart Sr., at the home of Mrs. A. H. Tondre.

Mr. and Mrs. Gabe Tschirhart were visitors of Mrs. Tschirhart's parents Mr. and Mrs. Nick Tondre Sr. at Atascosa Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Biry had as their guests Sunday their son-in-law and daughter, La Verne Constance, of San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. George Muennink of Hondo visited her father, Ed Mann, her sister, Mrs. Randolph Tschirhart and other relatives here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Halbardier were visiting Mrs. Bertha Jungman and son, Leo, and daughter, Gertie, in San Antonio Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Desra Mann and Clark E.

ANVIL SPARKS.

Continued from First Page

ing to American Taxpayers Association.

The one solution to this problem lies in removing politics from our tax system. It sounds impossible, but until it is done there can be no relief from reckless political spending and the growing spectre of national bankruptcy.

American labor has a vital stake in the issue, and the power to do something about it. Heretofore labor has not been slow to seize opportunities for betterment. By demanding the removal of politics from taxation, it would benefit not only itself but the nation.

It is much more difficult to succeed in business today than in pre-depression years and the rewards for success are far less, due largely to taxes. This explains why "venture" capital is lacking, hence fewer jobs. Opportunity for employment depends on taxation and legislative policies which enable business to look to the future with confidence.—Industrial News Review.

THE FARMER AND WAR

From Farming:

In former times the farmer was little concerned in the wars that troubled mankind so long as it did not sweep over his own lands and devastate his crops and drive away his flocks and herds.

This condition no longer obtains.

With the rapid transportation of modern times and the consequent intimate contacts of the different peoples of the world an armed conflict anywhere, be it in the parts most remote from this country, becomes of immediate concern to the American farmer.

It destabilizes his markets so suddenly and so arbitrarily as to make all planning uncertain and nearly always abortive.

Living expenses involving purchases of necessities usually rise to extortionate heights while purchasing power declines with equal rapidity.

Most of us are not too young to remember what happened to the cotton market in 1914, when the staple could scarcely be disposed of at any price and the farmers' credit practically vanished.

His living expenses climbed upward as his earnings tumbled lower and lower.

Then when the world found it took vast quantities of cotton to keep the big batteries belching death on the contending army fronts in Europe, Guide.

Tondre of San Antonio stopped in for a short visit with Mr. A. H. Tondre and son, Elton, Sunday. Mr. Tondre accompanied his mother-in-law to her home in Hondo after having been their guest in San Antonio for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mangold of La Costa visited Mrs. Mangold's father, Joe Tschirhart, Sr. at the home of Mrs. A. H. Tondre Sunday afternoon.

BIRTHDAY PARTY.

Mr. August Etter celebrated his seventieth birthday, Sunday, January 7, at the home of Albert Schneider near Castroville.

At noon a sumptuous dinner was served. The table had as its centerpiece a beautiful white birthday cake decorated with red cherries, varied colored hearts, and topped with seventy blue and pink candles.

The day was spent in playing cards and conversation. Those enjoying the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. Armin Schneider and family, Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Tondre and family, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Schneider and family, and Mr. Fritz Etter from here, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Bourquin and children of Cliff, Miss Gladys Tondre and Harry Speer of San Antonio, Mrs. August Etter and the honored guest, Mr. August Etter.

DID YOU KNOW—

Horace (Rattlesnake) Geiger is considered champion male jitterbug of Castroville. Horace is fifteen years of age and he can really cut fancy figures on the dance floor. Watch him, hep—cats.

ZION'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday, January 14, 1940.

9:00 A. M. Sunday school and Bible classes.

10:00 A. M. German Divine Service.

Sunday, January 14th is a fine time to keep that New Year resolution and go to church.

"Turn over a new leaf, live better, do better, and you will feel better."

Come thou with us and we will do thee good. Bring your friends to the house of the Lord and you will be a real friend to them and to Him, our Lord and Savior.

Next Friday, January 12, the Luther League will meet in the Fuos Building at 8 P. M.

On Wednesday night January 17, the Lutheran Brotherhood will meet at the Fuos Building at 8 P. M.

Every member is kindly invited to attend please.

The Church with a welcome.

—A. H. FALKENBERG, Pastor.

the price of that commodity climbed to unprecedented heights.

But it never caught up with the rising living costs of those who had to buy the wherewithal they were fed.

Then when the collapse of German arms came, there likewise came a collapse of our economic structure as well.

And we have seen the dole do its deadly work to American initiative, enterprise, industry, thrift and prosperity.

The only certainty about the prices of the farmer's produce in war time then is, paradoxically, its uncertainty!

Full realization of these facts and a frank acceptance of the realities of the situation bring us back to that oft-repeated—but never to be too often reiterated—fact:

THAT FARMER IS SAFEST WHO MAKES HIS FARM MOST NEARLY SELF-SUSTAINING.

With the farm producing an ample supply of every thing possible to produce on that farm which is needed for consumption thereon, necessary purchases are reduced to the minimum.

Then if there is time and land and labor left to gamble in a speculative market for the commercial market the farmer will be less at the mercy of a fluctuating market.

He may have less to sell and realize a smaller monetary income than the farmer who "shoots the works" on some speculative crop; but, even so, there would be less pressing demand on his pocket for spending for high-priced goods—goods that he has provided at the cost of his own time and labor and nothing more—while the buyer must pay speculative prices with dealer's profits and distributor's charges added.

"Self-preservation is the first law of nature."

It is likewise the first impulse of the race under the stress of war.

That farmer best provides for his own preservation who most provides for his own sustenance and renders himself least dependent upon others.

In the farmer's last extremity, diversified farming—farming that looks to the widest possible variety of the needful products of fields and flocks—is his best recourse.

"Forewarned is forearmed."

And food always wins the war!

The solution for the tax problem lies in cutting down governmental expenses. To take a tax off in one place and pile it on another is only passing the buck. When done, its purpose lies more as a vote-catcher than tax-reliever.

—The Dixie Guide.

A CONTRAST AND A MORAL

From Farming:

In a recent hurried trip through a section of the Mississippi delta, the editor was told in one place some cotton would make two bales to the acre and ninety percent a bale or better.

Since then we read in the Eupora Progress, a Mississippi exchange, that—

"Cottonseed prices are too low. Delta people are getting worried about it. Unlike lots of hill farmers, they have some cottonseed. To Secretary of Agriculture Henry Wallace last week was dispatched the following telegram: 'Delta Council Directors representing eighteen counties and seven hundred thousand people directly dependent upon cotton, urge you to take action on the price of cottonseed, which today is selling at the ruinous price of fourteen dollars a ton, which barely pays the cost of bagging and ginning.'"

"The Leland Enterprise said: 'A colored tenant took his first bale to the gin yesterday. When the gin man figured out the costs of ginning, wrapping and tying, he gave back a ticket and 14 cents. It was a share crop, so Jasper gave his landlord half the seed money, 7 cents, and he kept 7 cents. He went to a nearby store, bought the old battle-ax, known in society circles as his wife, an ice cream cone for five, since she picked most of the bale, bought each of their two children a penny lollipop apiece and they went on home, happy as a boll weevil in a cabbage patch, to start next day picking the next bale. Merchants here may be seen daily, hourly, looking longingly up and down the streets. But nobody gets off the cotton wagons and cotton tracks like it used to be after ginning. They go right on back home, never giving a look at the fine stocks of merchandise in windows much less on the inside shelves.'"

Mississippi is primarily a cotton-growing state, and with its vast negro population it will be difficult for it to change.

But by contrast we place alongside the above doleful picture the following from Armour's Magazine, mouthpiece of the big packing firm of that name, and coming from the very heart of the live-stock trade:

"For the first six months of this year, farm income, including government payments, is figured at \$3,381,000,000, a gain over the estimate of \$3,341,000,000 for the same period last year. Of first importance in this connection is net income, and while profits to live stock feeders haven't been large, and while losses have been recorded, in general the return has been above cost, due to low production cost. The live stock business remains on a good foundation."

In view of the present deplorable condition of the cotton market and the doleful prospects for its future, might it not be wise for Mississippi—and the entire cotton belt—to increase the number of stock farms and cooperative cheese factories now seen at infrequent intervals as one travels about?

—O—

SOCIALISM ON A GRAND SCALE

The recent proposal, made by a prominent senator, that the United States government go into the insurance business and sell annuity policies up to \$100 per moth, seems to have met with the strong opposition of the American press.

Typical editorial comment came from the Dowagiac, Michigan, News, which said: "Why not leave life insurance to the life insurance companies? Or else why not take over all business and let us become employees with no worries about business-getting or payrolls. Let's be socialists or let's not." The Colorado Springs Gazette observed that acceptance of the proposal "would mean government banking on a scale resembling state capitalism."

The whole pressure now is to get government out of business, not to plunge it in deeper." The Los Angeles Times said, "It would be only a step from that to government writing of life, accident, fire, marine and automobile insurance policies and taking over the whole vast insurance field. Its entrance there would be just as logical as its going into the annuity business."

The Detroit Free Press summed up a long editorial with this succinct comment: "The annuity proposal appears to be just another manifestation of the itch to socialize his country."

There might be some justification for the proposal if the insurance industry had failed to provide the American people with adequate protection. But the truth is that, under our system of private enterprise, we possess far more insurance of all kinds, on a per capita basis, than the people of any other nation. "Socialized" insurance—which is the only proper way to describe the Senator's plan—would be a mighty long step in the direction of ultimate socialization or political domination of all business.—Industrial News Review.

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THERE ARE NO SUPER-MEN

The people are to blame when they make an idol of any leader.

Why don't they worship Congressmen? Maybe the answer is: How could they?

The people seem to expect that the President will always be a great and wise man. They forget, too easily, that our past Presidents have averaged up about the same as other men. The people are always demanding that Congress "adjourn and go home"—that doesn't make sense.

The Presidency needs to be deflated. The delusion of a "superman" in that high office doesn't fit in with reason, or democracy.—National Industries News Service.

To which we would add:

Oh that some one might make the present incumbent realize it!

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"Oh, what's the use" has been the epitaph of what might have been many a useful endeavor!

Charter No. 1059.

Official Statement of Financial Condition of the

D'HANIS STATE BANK

At D'Hanis, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 30th day of December, 1939, published in the Hondo Anvil Herald, a newspaper printed and published at Hondo, State of Texas, on the 12th day of January, 1940.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts on personal or collateral security	\$ 67,122.78
Loans secured by real estate	798.88
Securities of U. S., any State or political subdivision thereof	36,046.34
Other bonds and stocks owned	1.00
Customers bonds held for safekeeping	900.00
Furniture and fixtures	500.00
Real Estate owned, other than banking house	750.00
Cash and due from approved reserve agents	61,608.59
TOTAL	\$167,727.59
GRAND TOTAL	\$167,727.59

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock	\$10,000.
Income Debentures sold	\$ 6,900.
Total Capital Structure	16,900.00
Surplus Fund	3,900.00
Undivided Profits, net	3,346.88
Reserve for Dividends Payable in Common Stock	3,100.00
Reserve for Retirement of Debentures	600.00
Dividends unpaid	400.00
Individual Deposits subject to check, including time deposits due in 30 days	138,580.71
Customers' bonds deposited for safekeeping	900.00
TOTAL	\$167,727.59
GRAND TOTAL	\$167,727.59

STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Medina.

We, E. Zander, as President, and J. P. Ephraim, as Cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

E. ZANDER, President,
J. P. EPHRAIM, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of January, A. D. 1940. (L. S.) JNO. B. NESTER, Notary Public, Medina County, Texas.

CORRECT—ATTEST:

GUS ROTHE,
M. M. KOCH,
ERIC ROTHE,
Directors.

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Making one of the exceptional production records of the state the

cows in the purebred Jersey herd owned by J. L. Hodgkins at his Walnut Creek Farm, Fort Worth, Texas, have won twenty or more Gold and Silver Medal awards of The American Jersey Cattle Club, national organization of Jersey breeders, within the past two years and qualified one of the herd sires, Sultan Fern King first for the Silver Medal, and then the Gold Medal award of The Club.

When Sultan Fern King received his Gold Medal award recently his 14 officially tested daughters ranked him first among living Texas sires for the production average of ten or more tested daughters by having an average of 672.62 pounds butterfat, 12,077 pounds milk on a mature equivalent, 365-day basis. All of these daughters except two were started on their production tests under 5 years of age. Mr. Hodgkins whose herd was established in 1932, purchased a considerable number of Jerseys about 4 years ago from the herd owned by the Estate of L. H. McKee, Fort Worth, and the three cows which qualified Sultan Fern King for his Gold Medal award were included in this purchase, their sire having been acquired from the same herd by Mr. Hodgkins in 1938. Sultan Fern King is the eighth Gold Medal Jersey sire qualified in Texas and the first to receive the award in about five years. He was bred in the McKee herd and won the Gold Medal at 9 years and 9 months of age. The three daughters which qualified him for the Gold Medal award won both Gold and Silver Medals with their respective records of 631.98 pounds butterfat from 10,429 pounds milk; 641.38 pounds butterfat from 10,509 pounds milk, and 612.49 pounds butterfat from 10,425 pounds milk in 305 day tests. During these tests their production was checked by supervisors from the Texas A. and M. College and their records have been verified and accepted by The American Jersey Cattle Club. His daughters though not exhibited extensively in dairy shows have more than once been blue ribbon winners at the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show and Live Stock Exposition. Mr. Hodgkins' Walnut Creek Farm herd includes more than 300 head of purebred Jerseys, and has been supervised almost from the beginning by Jack Starr, herdsman.

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The Texas pecan crop on November 15 was estimated at 17,400,000 pounds, compared with 23,000,000 pounds produced in 1938 and 25,120,000 pounds average production during the 10-year period 1928-1937. The short crop is attributed largely to drought and insect damage. While this is definitely an "off" year in practically all areas of the State, the larger crops, relatively, were produced in the western part of the pecan producing area, and in the counties along the Red River. Pecans are almost a failure in the important producing areas in the south central and southeastern parts of the State.

D'Hanis Doings

A round-up of Local, Personal and Business Items gathered weekly by our regular Correspondent

Miss Josie Rothe

to whom all items intended for this column should be handed no later than Wednesday noon of each week. Miss Rothe is authorized to collect and receipt for money due this paper.

D'HANIS, TEXAS, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10, 1940

Mrs. Will Crow left Monday for her home in Houston after spending several weeks here visiting her father, Mr. Valentine Nester and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Carle and children, Anna Mae and Milton, went to San Antonio Saturday. Their new granddaughter, Mary Ellen Koch, is the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Koch of that city. She is the third great-granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Carle of D'Hanis.

Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Twomey of San Antonio visited relatives here Tuesday.

Mrs. John Gersdorff and John Burkholder of San Antonio were guests of Mrs. Ernst Mueller and Eddie Mueller last Sunday.

Mrs. A. J. Boog is visiting relatives in Austin.

WEDNESDAY BRIDGE CLUB.

The Wednesday Bridge Club enjoyed the hospitality of Miss Stella Finger this week. Mrs. Robert Zuber was awarded high score prize for members and Mrs. Ferd Rock for guests. Miss Sarah Koch received low, and Mrs. Arthur Nester drew high for consolation. The hostess served delicious jello salad, cake, macaroons and coffee to the above and the following: Messdames Herman Ney, Charles Langfeld, Louis Carle Jr., James Finger, and Misses Tina Rothe, Irene Poerner, Ursie Lee Rock, Gladys Rieber, Melvera Rothe, Lillian Fohn, Sara and Ethel Rothe.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION.

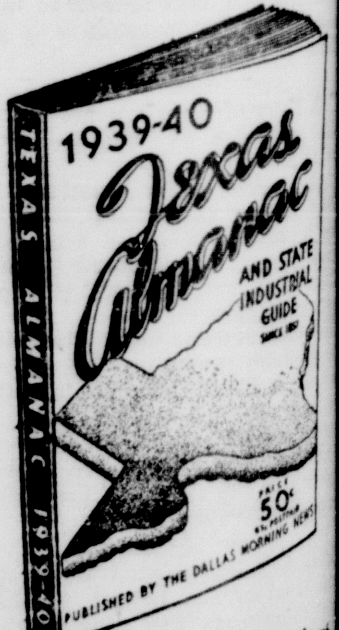
Mr. John B. Ney was honored with a birthday dinner Sunday, his eighty-second anniversary having occurred on January 6. Four daughters, two sons, and other relatives and friends attended. Those present were Rev.

Search for a strain of cotton that will defy the Texas cotton farmer's arch-enemy—root-rot—has caused Dr. G. W. Goldsmith, University of Texas botanist, to examine more than 20,000 stalks and to plant his own annual cotton crop for test purposes. The number one problem of the docket of the Clayton Foundation of Houston, financial backers of the University experiment, the root-rot seriously effects a large area of Southwest Texas, Goldsmith said. The very nature of the fungus growth makes extermination difficult because like a network of microscopic tentacles it spreads through the soil below plow depth. Consequently a rotation of crops fails to kill it out. Although cereal plants and grasses aren't affected by it, shade trees and shrubbery very often fall victim to root-rot, Goldsmith said. During the past summer Goldsmith and ten staffmen went into the cotton fields before sun-up every morning and tied up the plant flowers with wire to make them self-pollinated. Now beginning the fifth year of the work, Goldsmith estimates that 80 miles of wire have been used for this phase of the work. Root-rot is being attacked by other agencies in the state from two other angles. One institution is experimenting with the cultivation angle while another hopes to kill the growth through fertilizer ingredients. The University's long-range

program, however, hopes to develop a plant which will be less affected by the fungus.

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